## Congress of the United States Washington, DC 20515

September 24, 2019

Megan J. Brennan Postmaster General 475 L'Enfant Plaza SW Washington, DC 20260

Dear Postmaster Brennan:

We write to express our concern for the USPS North Houston Processing and Distribution Center (Houston P&DC). As you know, the facility was significantly damaged during Tropical Storm Imelda, subsequently evacuated, and as of yesterday, had resumed service in a portion of the facility.

Given this center is the largest USPS processing plant in the nation, the citizens that we represent were particularly affected by the news of the damage to and shuttering of the facility, and we are relieved to learn of the resumption of some services. We understand you have had over 2,000 postal employees working around the clock at the Houston P&DC, and efforts to bring the plant back to fully operational status are well underway. We appreciate the urgency with which your staff is working to resume mail processing throughout the area as well and urge you to continue to do whatever necessary to restore full capacity as soon as possible.

The Houston P&DC serves not only residents of our district, but also businesses throughout the Houston area. Not only is it important to economic activity of our districts but also essential for delivering insulin to diabetics, ferrying important communications between families, and connecting rural communities to cities and to one another. As the Congressional district work period begins next week, we request a briefing in Washington this week and updates regarding the timeline for the Houston P&DC repair, rebuild, and refurbishment, as well as the extent of damage and delay to mail already at the facility at the time of the roof collapse, as soon as possible.

We appreciate your response to these requests and your work to restore full postal service to the people of Southeast Texas.

Sincerely,

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